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**REQUEST  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09 246,918
Filing Date	February 9, 1999
First Named Inventor	Karl M. Robinson
Group Art Unit	2823
Examiner Name	George Fourson
Attorney Docket Number	303.455US2

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application entitled DEVICES HAVING IMPROVED CAPACITANCE AND METHODS OF THEIR FABRICATION.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

1. ☐ Consider the amendment(s) reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ☐
2. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ☐
3. ☒ An Amendment Under 37 CFR § 1.116 (7 pages) is enclosed.
4. ☐ A new power of attorney (☐ pages) is enclosed.
5. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed (1 page)
  - a. 1 Form(s) 1449
  - b. 2 Copies of IDS Citations
6. ☐ A check in the amount of \$740.00 is attached to pay the RCE filing fee required under C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
7. ☒ **The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fee of \$740.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.**
8. ☐ A petition for extension of time in the prior application (☐ pages) is enclosed along with a check in the amount of \$☐ to pay the extension fee.
9. ☒ Other: A Clean Version of Pending Claims (6 pages)

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 18, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the claim set in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Pending Claims for the previously pending claim set. The substitute claim set is intended to reflect amendment of previously pending claims 37, 50, 51, and 76. The specific amendments to individual claims are detailed in the following marked up set of claims.

37. (Amended) A method for forming a capacitor, comprising:
- forming an insulative layer overlying a substrate;
  - masking the insulative layer to define a region in which to fabricate the capacitor;
  - removing the insulative layer in an unmasked region to expose the substrate;
  - depositing a polysilicon layer overlying the insulative layer and the substrate and contacting the substrate;
  - removing portions of the polysilicon layer to expose the insulative layer;
  - chemical vapor depositing a metal layer to [overly] overlie the polysilicon layer and the insulative layer;
  - contacting the metal layer with an electrolytic solution;
  - applying an electrical potential to the electrolytic solution and the metal layer; and